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The Honorable Adam Gray
California State Assembly
State Capitol, Room 3152
Sacramento, CA 95811

RE: Assembly Bill 2689 (as amended April 17) – Support

Dear Assembly Member Gray,

At the July 19, 2018 meeting of the bipartisan Fair Political Practices Commission, the FPPC voted to support Assembly Bill 2689, a bill that would amend the Political Reform Act.

Assembly Bill 2689 would prohibit a gubernatorial appointee from giving a contribution or gift to a Senator or Assembly Member or to their controlled committees during the period between the appointment by the Governor and the confirmation by the Senate or Assembly.

The bill also prohibits gifts and contributions from gubernatorial appointees to a candidate for Senate if the candidate's term would begin within 365 days of the appointment or reappointment. Appointees are prohibited from giving gifts and contributions to Assembly candidates if the candidate's term would begin within 90 days of appointment or reappointment. Lastly, the prohibition would apply to costs related to a fundraising event at the home of a gubernatorial appointee.

For these reasons, the FPPC supports AB 2689 and looks forward to working with you on this bill. If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 322-7635 or pung@fppc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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